



In re application of:

Yosuke INOMATA, et al.

Serial No: 10/650,504

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For: DRY ETCHING APPARATUS, DRY ETCHING  
METHOD, AND PLATE AND TRAY USED THEREIN

Art Unit: 1765

Examiner: A. K. Alanko

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INDEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE	7	-	7	***	0	LG=\$200 SM=\$100	\$ 0
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS					LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$360 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$180		\$ 0
Independent Claims: 1, 13, 15, 16, 17, 20, 22					TOTAL		\$ 50

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Respectfully submitted,  
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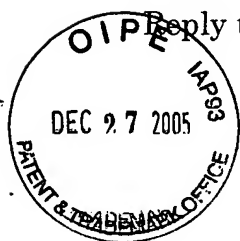
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 26, 2005, please amend the  
above-referenced application as follows:

**Amendments** to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments** to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which  
begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments** to the Drawings begin on page 8 of this paper and include  
both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

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